

Remarks

Claims 1-2 and 5-16 were pending.

Claims 1, 2 and 5-9 are canceled.

Claims 10 and 16 are amended.

Claims 18-23 are added.

Claims 10-16 and 18-23 are now pending.

Claims 10 and 16 are amended to be independent. Claims 10 and 16 are amended to require that in the composition and process, the additives of component b) are incorporated via extrusion.

Support is found in the specification, page 29, third full paragraph, and in the working Examples 11-16 on pages 40-47.

New claims 18-23 correspond to claims 2 and 5-9.

The claims are also amended to re-insert the definition of R₃ and R₄ where they may form a cycloalkylidene ring.

No new matter is added.

Claims 1, 2, 5-12 and 14-16 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Nagao, EP 837085.

Claims 1, 2 and 5-16 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Nagao.

The present claims now require that the additives of component b) are incorporated into the organic material via extrusion.

Nagao does not disclose that his compounds are incorporated into organic materials by extrusion. Alternatively, the fluorine containing polymers of Nagao are employed as a binder in a coating for a photosensitive layer (Abstract).

In view of the present amendments, Applicants submit that the present rejections are addressed and are overcome.

The Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider and to withdraw the present rejections.

Applicants submit that the present claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be found allowable.

Respectfully submitted,



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